

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Haines Borough****Federal Tax ID: 47-0888706****Project Title:****Project Type:** Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

Haines Borough - Haines Borough Lutak Dock Restoration

State Funding Requested: \$3,211,284**House District: 33 / Q**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

The Haines Borough Lutak Dock has been in operation for 67 years and is failing. The front 40 feet along the length of the dock face is rendered unusable due to concerns of imminent failure.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost: \$25,611,284

Funding Already Secured: (\$22,400,000)

FY2023 State Funding Request: (\$3,211,284)

Project Deficit: \$0

Funding Details:

The Haines Borough has an Enterprise Fund with \$2.4M for cash match toward the project.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

In December 2021, the Haines Borough was awarded \$20,000,000 in the form of a DOT RAISE grant, this funding combined with cash on hand from the Haines Borough equals \$22,400,000 toward the project. The Haines Borough is requesting an additional \$3,211,284 to fully fund the renovation of the Lutak Dock.

Lutak Dock has been in use for over 67 years as a year-round, sheltered, deep water port. It is one of only three deep water ports in the State of Alaska that remains ice free during the winter. The dock provides a direct, expedient link from the Lower 48 sea ports to the Yukon and BC in Canada as well as Interior Alaska along the Haines Highway. Virtually all items such as fuel, consumer goods and petroleum products for the entire region of the Yukon, and British Columbia roll across the Lutak Dock.

The Lutak Dock was identified by the US Army in the early 1950's as a strategic location. Of national strategic importance is the need for access to all parts of Interior Alaska and the Yukon Territories for such activities as military mobilization, access to critical mineral and ore resources, and transport of fuel among Alaska, the Yukon territories, and the continental United States on a year-round basis.

The Lutak Dock also plays a crucial role in the economic viability of the region. Key mineral mines in the Yukon territories, and other northern regions need access to maritime shipping as a cost effective way to bring their products to market. Logging has long been a key industry in the entire region, and moving logs by barge is reliable and cost effective on a year round basis. While unsuccessfully pursuing funding in the past to fix the dock as it declined year over year, the Haines

Borough Assembly scheduled the Lutak Dock for permanent closure by 2022 if the dock were not repaired. There is hope now, with the federal infrastructure funds to at last repair this vital transportation link for the communities it serves and as an Alaska Marine Highway key port.

Project Timeline:

January 2022 - March 2022 Notice to Proceed
January 2022 - June 2022 Permitting
October 2023 - December 2023 Final Engineering and Design
January 2024 - February 2024 Construction Bidding
February 2024 - December 2024 Construction and Commissioning

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

The Haines Borough

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No